



FOUNTAIN CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT

Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

This meeting will be held online via Zoom. Meetings are open to the public.

March 10, 2025

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

[Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Zoom Link](#)

Draft Minutes

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum: The meeting was held virtually via a Zoom video conference. A quorum was established, the meeting was called to order at 1:06 p.m. with introduction of members.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Abha Dwivedy	City of Fountain
Andrew Rippe	Ft. Carson
Annie Berlemann	Colorado Springs Utilities
Beth Nosker	DNR
Christina Prete	El Paso County, Stormwater
David Woolley	CAG Chair
Dominga Jimenez-Garcia	Pueblo County
Erin Powers	City of Colorado Springs, SWENT
Jeff Rice	El Paso County
Jonathan Griffen	Pueblo County
Jonathan Moore	Fountain Sanitation
Sumer Slama	CDOT
Ryan Bouton	USAFA

Others in Attendance:

Alli Schuch	Fountain Creek Watershed District, Executive Director
Amy Filipaiak	Sentinel Landscape
Angie Martel	PPACG
Lucy Harrington	GEI
Liz Staten	HDR



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Others in Attendance continued:

Matt Gottfried	UCCS
Melissa Whittingslow	Ft. Carson
Steven Rodriguez	Fountain Creek Watershed District
Sarah Schanz	Colorado College
Terry Hart	Board of Directors and CAG

2. Approve March Meeting Agenda: Addition of Green Mountain Falls Fountain Creek Project presentation, Annie Berlemann made a motion to approve, Erin Powers seconded, the motion passed unanimously.
3. Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting – February 5, 2025: Minutes were reviewed, date correction and spelling correction. Approval by consensus.
4. Public Comments
 - a. None
5. Committee Member Comments
 - a. Annie Berlemann announced that the USGS has a new one stop website/StoryMap for Fountain Creek: [Fountain Creek Hydrologic Monitoring | USGS](#)
 - b. Johnathan Moore reminded that Southmoor Drive Tour will be held this Friday.
6. Presentations
 - a. Colorado College Storyboards - Sarah Schanz, Colorado College
sschanz@coloradocollege.edu, 719-389-6513
Colorado College (CC) mapping based on the State of Colorado Fluvial Hazard Mapping.
 - b. Green Mountain Falls Bridge Replacement and Fountain Creek Channel Improvements Project – Liz Staten, HDR
Bridge needs to be replaced and is undersized. It will be designed to be larger to allow freeboard and include multi use for pedestrians and bicycles. This bridge is a key safety exit for the town of Green Mountain Falls. This project is grant funded from PROTECT (Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative Efficient and Cost-Saving Transportation) it is currently frozen, but funds are likely to be released. This project does reference regional master plans. Green Mountain Falls is looking into further funding opportunities.



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7. Reports:

- a. District Board/Water Activity Enterprise Board/Project Updates: Alli Schuch reported that the District Board and Water Activity Enterprise Board met on February 21, 2025. There are new board members that are getting up to speed. Annie Berlemann from Colorado Springs Utilities gave a presentation on Colorado Springs Utilities Integrated Adaptive Management Plan and Permit Compliance Annual Report, and Green Mountain Falls presentation. Strategic Planning will continue. Eagleridge is 40% complete and has a new sign up. There will be a tour of Southmoor Drive this Friday. There will be a public meeting on the project Tuesday March 25th at American Legion. The next meeting is March XX, 2025, at 9:00 am on Zoom and in-person at Fountain City Hall.
- b. Monetary Mitigation Fund Advisory Committee: The MMFAC met February 11, 2025, and had project updates and discussion on Frost Ranch potential project. Project design is grant funded. The project is slated to be \$9-\$12 million range. There is about \$9 million left in the fund. There is a fair number of issues with creek migration that needs more modeling. Discussion on maintenance and projects are happening in the watershed. The next meeting is on March 11, 2025, at 10:00 am on Zoom. Beth Nosker noted that it is likely that the Doc Rodgers ditch in Fountain will have some construction.
- c. Citizens Advisory Group: David Woolley reported the CAG met is February 14, 2025. The CAG heard a presentation from Brand Lubbers from Lower Arkansas Water Conservation District on 319 projects such as lateral ditch lining, sprinklers and other mitigation practices. Next meeting will have John Harner from CC on his book "Profiting from the Peak." The next meeting is March 14, 2025.
- d. AFCURE: Annie Berlemann reported that AFCURE met March 4, 2025. AFCURE reviewed comments on Policy 25-1 which relates to data adequacy and age of data. The next meeting is April 1, 2025.

8. New Business

- a. UCCS Map Book Development – Matt Gottfried, UCCS mgottfri@uccs.edu
UCCS is working as a local resource and hub for Geographical Information Systems (GIS). Matt Gottfried highlighted the program, its capabilities and benefits. The District is investigating using this program for potential maintenance.
- b. District Design Criteria Manuals
Alli Schuch discussed the potential need for design criteria manuals as growth and development continue across the watershed. The criteria manuals could be used by smaller entities and organizations.

9. Old Business

- a. ILF Subcommittee update – subcommittee did meet this past week. William Sandoval cannot continue on the committee, so the committee is looking for a replacement.



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- b. Frost Ranch update
- c. Lessons Learned update
- d. Grants discussion – Alli Schuch requested 2025 capital projects from member governments so that the District has support those projects.

10. 2025 Meeting Schedule and Future Business

- a. April – COS Creek Plan Update and CDOT Presentation from Summer Slama, CDOT.
- b. May - Wildfire Ready Watersheds Plans and Implementation – Annie Berlemann, Colorado Springs Utilities
- c. June/July - no meetings
- d. August -
- e. September -
- f. October -
- g. November -
- h. December – no meeting
- i. Other meeting topics:
 - i. USGS presentation on latest reports (spring/summer)
 - ii. AF CURE nutrient white paper and/or PFAS
 - iii. Dredge and Fill permitting – informal report outs
 - iv. Tours

11. Set Date, Time and Location of Next Meeting: April 2, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., on Zoom.

12. Adjourn: Annie Berlemann made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jonathan Moore, the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:17 p.m.